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May 30, 2000

BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application of CenturyTel of Northern Wisconsin, Inc., for
Approval of an Alternative Regulation Plan

6040-TI-100

NOTICE OF REHEARING

Hearing Date:	June 12, 2000 – 7:00 p.m.
Hearing Location:	Hawkins Senior Center, 509 Main Street, Hawkins, WI

On April 4, 2000, the Commission issued a Notice of Proceeding and Investigation and Assessment of Costs and Hearings in this docket. On April 17, 2000, a hearing was held in Hawkins, WI. On May 9, 2000, a technical hearing was held in Madison, WI. Due to inadequate notice given by CenturyTel of Northern Wisconsin, Inc. (CTNW) concerning the April 17, 2000, hearing, another hearing is being held.

On December 29, 1999, CTNW filed an application for an alternative regulation plan (Plan) under Wis. Stat. § 196.195(12). If approved, the Plan would cover a 5-year period, and include a provision that the applicant be allowed to adjust rates within specified limits based on rate rebalancing and attainment of specified objectives. Rate rebalancing generally involves increases to rates for local residential service, and decreases to rates for intrastate access services. The first price changes would not occur until one year after Plan approval. The Plan would also remove limitations on earnings and include commitments related to infrastructure and service quality, suspension of certain statutory sections, and implementation of procedures to promote competition in the applicant's service territory. Details of these and other proposals are contained in the applicant's filing. Copies of the applicant's filings may be obtained by written request to Timothy Steffes, CenturyTel, P.O. Box 4800, La Crosse, Wisconsin, 54602-4800 or by e-mail addressed to *tim.steffes@centurytel.com*.

Pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 2.73, the utility is responsible for giving notice to its customers of the filing of its application with the Commission and for producing proof of notice at the hearing.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that a hearing will be held beginning on Monday, June 12, 2000, at 7:00 p.m. at Hawkins Senior Center, 509 Main Street, Hawkins, WI, and continuing at times to be set by the presiding Administrative Law Judge. This building is accessible to people in

wheelchairs. Any person with a disability who needs additional accommodations should contact the case coordinator listed below.

Currently, the only parties to this proceeding are CenturyTel, AT&T Communications of Wisconsin, Inc., and the Wisconsin Department of Justice. Any other person desiring to become a party shall file a request pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(2m) and Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 2.32(3) no later than 10 days from the date of this notice. The request shall be addressed to Administrative Law Judge Jeffrey J. Patzke, Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, P.O. Box 7854 Madison, WI, 53707-7854. The request shall be served upon CenturyTel, AT&T Communications of Wisconsin, Inc., and the Wisconsin Department of Justice before it is filed.

This is a Class 1 proceeding as defined in Wis. Stat. § 227.01(3)(a).

The Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of programs, services, or employment. Any person with a disability who needs accommodations to participate in this proceeding or who needs to obtain this document in a different format should contact the case coordinator listed below.

Questions from the media may be directed to Jeffrey L. Butson, Public Affairs Director at (608) 267-0912.

Questions regarding this matter may be directed to case coordinator Christopher Larson at (608) 267-9508.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, _____

By the Commission:

Lynda L. Dorr
Secretary to the Commission

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